GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

HM & FW – Permission for utilizing the facilities of Government District Hospital, Chittoor for establishment of a Unique Integrated Campus 'The Apollo Health and knowledge City' - Orders – Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (D) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 125 **Dated:14-10-2015**

Read the following:

1. From the Secretary, Apollo Hospital Education and Research Foundation, letter dt.20-05-2015.
2. Govt., Memo.No.5733/D1/2015, dt:30.06.2015.
3. Letter from VC, Dr. NTR UHS, Vijayawada, dt:13.08.2015

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O R D E R:

In the letter 1st read above the Secretary, Apollo Hospitals Educational and Research Foundation has stated that the Apollo hospitals Group is establishing a unique integrated campus "The Apollo Health and Knowledge City (AHKC)" in Chittoor District to cater to healthcare services and employment opportunities to the populace of the rural and urban areas of Chittoor District as well as State of Andhra Pradesh. It was stated that Apollo Health and Knowledge City shall be positioned as a Regional and International Centre for clinical and academic excellence at Chittoor to shoulder the burden of the Government of Andhra Pradesh. Further it was stated that this Integrated campus will provide the requisite knowledge and skills for developing a healthcare professional talent pool duly supported by a teaching hospital that will provide quality, accessible, affordable healthcare services to the community.

2. In the proposal it was stated that the facilities would comprise of a 1,200 bed Teaching Hospital (initially being set up as a 300 bed facility which will scale up to 1,200 beds), Medical College with 150 admissions initially (with a capacity to scale to 250 admissions), Dental, nursing, Pharmacy, Physiotherapy, Optometry, Management Institute, Skill Development Centre, University Block, CBSE School, Simulation Labs, Centralized Library, Research Library, Research Centre, Natural Treatment Centre - all under one roof.

3. The Apollo Hospitals Educational and Research Foundation team has made the following preliminary observations of the existing facilities in the Chittoor District Government Hospital and has identified certain areas to be reorganized as per the Medical Council of India guidelines. Apollo Hospitals Educational and Research Foundation will bring in the necessary resources (finances and manpower) to bring it on par with the Minimum Standard Requirements.

(i) Setting up a Critical Care Trauma Unit with Intensive Care beds.
(ii) Upgrading the Operation Theatres.
(iii) Knowledge transfer to improve Operational Efficiency of Management Standards of the Government Hospital and the Pharmacy.
(iv) Up-Skilling of the existing Healthcare Personnel of the Hospital at different levels.

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4. To bring these facilities up in identified area, the group has requested the Government to permit the Apollo Hospitals Educational and Research Foundation (AHERF) to use the existing Chittoor district Government Hospital as a Teaching Hospital for Clinical Training for a period of 3 years through a Memorandum of Understanding as required by the Medical Council of India.

5. In the Government Memo 2nd read above Government have constituted the following Committee to study the proposals of Apollo Hospitals Educational and Research Foundation and submit a report with gap analysis to the Government.

(1)	VC, NTRUHS	Chairman
(2)	DME	Member
(3)	Commissioner of APVVP	Member
(4)	Medical Superintendent, DH, Chittoor	Member/ convener
(5)	One representative from Apollo Hospital Education and Research Foundation (AHERF)	Member

6. In response to the above orders, the Committee has visited the Government District Hospital, Chittoor and submitted the report in the letter 3rd read above by studying various facilities available in the existing hospital, with regard to buildings, infrastructure, equipment and staff including the doctors, nurses and paramedical professionals. The Committee went through the proposals submitted by Apollo Hospitals Educational and Research Foundation of Apollo Hospital Groups regarding establishment of Apollo Health and Knowledge City (AHKC) in Chittoor District to cater to health care services and employment opportunities to rural and urban people of the District with their need for a teaching hospital to support Apollo Health and Knowledge City. The committee has analyzed requirements for developing this hospital into a full-fledged teaching Hospital to meet the Medical Council of India regulations. Once developed, the Hospital will not only be able to train medical students and health care professionals but also provide quality, accessible and affordable health services to the community. The Committee pointed out that there is a significant gap between the available and required medical personnel in the State of Andhra Pradesh and the need for establishment of a medical college of excellence with an integrated health care campus – AHHC in Chittoor District will go a long way in meeting this gap.

7. The committee reported that existing hospital needs certain developments to make it into a full-fledged Teaching Hospital of good standards. The Committee has recommended the following points to be considered and incorporated into the Memorandum of understanding, so as to meet the Medical Council of India regulations of the teaching hospital.

(1) Hospital is constructed in 6.3 acres land with 2.8 lakhs sq.ft and there is a vacant area of 9.8 acres. Good ambience has to be created in the existing hospital, by landscaping the vacant areas, improving the elevation of the building and providing drainages and water supply to all the buildings in the hospital.

(2) Acute Medical care units, Intensive Care Units and Casualty Department have to be strengthened by creating new ICUs and equipping them well as very few ICU facilities are available presently.

(3) The present Operation Theatres are outdated and ill equipped. Strengthening of Operation Theatres by providing additional equipment and monitoring facilities. Total number of operation theatres also to be increased. Establishment of state of the art Operation Theatre complex with at least 06 operating rooms, having all facilities for various surgical procedures, is essential for converting the hospital into a State of the art Teaching Hospital.

(4) Strengthening of Trauma Care Services by providing additional facilities for Neurosurgery, Intensive Care, critical care and re-constructive surgery, as these facilities are not available at present.

(5) Provision and maintenance of Haemodialysis with around 10 machines and also facility of Haemodialysis in critical care units, is essential.

(6) Strengthening of wards of existing broad specialists like General Surgery, General Medicine, Orthopaedics, ENT, Ophthalmology and Obstetrics and Gynaecology, by providing good cots, bedside lockers etc.,

(7) Separate Operation Theatres and Labour Rooms have to be provided for Obstetrics and Gynaecology department.

(8) Strengthening of Diagnostic Services by installing digital x-ray machines CT Scan, MRI, high end Color Doppler and Mammography Units in a Centralized location. A Central laboratory providing Bio-Medical, Microbiological and Pathological Laboratories, has to be created.

(9) A central casualty department with good number of beds and equipment for acute and intensive care as to be provided in the OPD block.

(10) An OPD block accommodating nearly 1500 out patients and having facilities for computerized registration and recording has to be developed.

(11) The Government should continue to provide existing budget for maintaining the existing staff and to meet their operational expenditure.

(12) To constitute a committee with Dr.NTR UHS representative, Director of Medical Education, Commissioner of A.P. Vaidya Vidhana Parishad, Medical Superintendent and One Representative from AHERF. The committee will monitor the progress of developmental activities of the hospital and functioning of Teaching Hospital and eventual conversion of this hospital into a Teaching Hospital. Suitable remedial action will be initiated by the Committee to adhere to time-lines.

(13) Strengthening of Nursing services by employing specialist nurses in specialty areas like Neuro, Cardiac, Neonatal, respiratory intensive care and surgical ICU services.

(14) Since all the present HR and infrastructure pertaining to the 320 bedded district Hospital with the specialists in General Medicine, General Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Pediatrics, Orthopedics, Ophthalmology, ENT, Dental and Anesthesia services with around 1000 outpatients per day and 300 in-patients is already being run by the Government, it is proposed that this may be utilized by the Apollo Health Education and Research Foundation as the functioning

300 bedded hospital for their upcoming Medical college. Additional expenditure towards filling the gaps for fulfilling requirements of MCI norms, additional civil infrastructure or equipment and staff are to be borne the AHERF. Such equipment and machinery utilized for upgrading the services and obtaining MCI clearance will be left behind by AHERF without seeking any compensation. All services so provided by the hospital should be made available free of cost to the public.

(15) For starting a medical college with 150 seats raising it to 250 seats, AHREF has to upgrade the existing hospital in a phase wise manner improving the civil structures, equipments and other facilities every year to meet the requirement of MCI. If Apollo Health and Knowledge City desires to utilize it for Nursing and various Paramedical courses, they have to upgrade the hospital as per the requirements of concerned Councils with their investment.

8. Government after careful examination hereby accord approval for transfer of the Government hospital Chittoor to Apollo Hospital Education and Research Foundation for upgradation of facilities and utilization in response to their unsolicited offer on lease basis for a period of (5) five years (one full-fledged batch) from the date of entering into the MoU to enable to start Medical College from 2016 academic year. Subject to following terms and conditions:-

(a) The above recommendations of the Committee be incorporated in the MoU.

(b) The expenditure on the existing staff shall be met from the Government budget only.

(c) Any additional staff recruited for Medical college purpose (as per the MCI norms) shall be met from the funds of Apollo authorities only and their name shall be maintained in a separate register. After completion of the lease period, the Apollo authority will leave the equipment and other infrastructure without asking for any remuneration from the Government.

9. The Director of Medical Education, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad is also hereby permitted to enter into Memorandum of understanding with Apollo Hospital Education and Research Foundation. The approved Draft Memorandum of understanding is appended to this order.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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The Superintendent, District Hospital, Chittoor.
The Secretary, Apollo Hospitals Educational and Research Foundation, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad.
Law (B) Department.

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